

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF NURSING
December 8, 2005**

Call to Order

Marcy Echternacht, President, called the meeting of the Nebraska Board of Nursing to order at 8:30 a.m. on December 8, 2005, at the Knoll's Restaurant, Lincoln, Nebraska. Copies of the agenda were sent to Board members, news media and other interested persons, and posted.

Roll Call

The following members were present:

Marcy Echternacht, RN, President
Mary Megel, RN, Vice-President
Jacqueline Ross, RN, Secretary
Mary Bunger, RN
Joyce Bunger, public member
Nancy Gondringer, RN (arrived at 8:40 a.m.)
Sandra Mann, public member
Deanna Lloyd, LPN
Julie Brauer, RN
Crystal Higgins, RN

The following members were absent:

Valerie Fredericksen, RN
Dawn Nickel, LPN

A quorum of the Board was present and the meeting convened. Also present from the Credentialing Division was Charlene Kelly, RN, Executive Director; Sheila Exstrom, RN, Nursing Education Consultant; and Ruth Schuldt, RN, Compliance Monitor. Present from the Investigations Division was Marletta Stark, RN, Peggy Persell, RN. and Michael Grutsch. Present from the Attorney General's office were Terri Nutzman and Bradley Schaff, Assistant Attorneys General.
Echternacht welcomed the new board members. Introductions were made.

Review of Agenda

The board reviewed the agenda. It was noted that the practice committee meeting minutes referenced on the consent agenda should be dated October 19th instead of the 20th.

1. Megal made the motion seconded by Lloyd **that the board adopt the agenda as corrected.**

Voting Aye: M Bunger, Echternacht, Mann, Megel, Ross, J. Bunger, Lloyd, Higgins and Brauer. Voting Nay: none. Abstain: none. Absent: Gondringer, Fredericksen and Nickel. Motion carried.

Review of the Consent Agenda

The board reviewed the consent agenda. No items were deleted.

2. M. Bunger made the motion seconded by J. Bunger **that the board adopt the consent agenda and approve the following:**

D.1. November 10, 2005 Board of Nursing meeting minutes

D.2. October 19, 2005 Practice Committee meeting minutes

8:35 a.m.

3. Mann made the motion seconded by M. Bunger **that the board go into closed session for the purpose of reviewing investigation reports.**

Voting Aye: M Bunger, Echternacht, Mann, Megel, Ross, J. Bunger, Lloyd, Higgins and Brauer. Voting Nay: none. Abstain: none. Absent: Gondringer, Fredericksen and Nickel. Motion carried.

8:40 a.m. Gondringer arrived

9:12 a.m. Schaff left the meeting

9:45 a.m. Meeting recessed.

10:00 a.m. Meeting reconvened.

10:19 a.m. Brauer left the meeting.

10:30 a.m. Brauer returned to the meeting.

10:47 a.m. Higgins left the meeting

11:00 a.m. Higgins returned to the meeting.

11:12 a.m. The board came out of closed session. Persell, Stark, Grutsch and Mann left the meeting.

Licensure Recommendations

Based on discussion in closed session the following motions were made:

Lori War Bonnet

4. Megel made the motion seconded by Higgins **that the board grant Lori War Bonnet authority to practice nursing in Nebraska under the provisions of the Nurse Licensure Compact.**

Voting Aye: M Bunger, Echternacht, Megel, Ross, J. Bunger, Lloyd, Higgins, Gondringer and Brauer. Voting Nay: none. Abstain: none. Absent: Mann, Fredericksen and Nickel. Motion carried.

Tanya Shaw

5. J. Bunger made the motion seconded by Gondringer **that the board issue Tanya Shaw an unrestricted LPN license.**

Voting Aye: M Bunger, Echternacht, Megel, Ross, J. Bunger, Lloyd, Higgins, Gondringer and Brauer. Voting Nay: none. Abstain: none. Absent: Mann, Fredericksen and Nickel. Motion carried.

11:20 a.m. Mann returned to the meeting.

Caroline Freidrichsen

6. M. Bunger made the motion seconded by Lloyd **that the board issue Caroline Friedrichsen an unrestricted LPN license.**

Voting Aye: M Bunger, Echternacht, Mann, Megel, Ross, J. Bunger, Lloyd, Higgins, Gondringer and Brauer. Voting Nay: none. Abstain: none. Absent: Fredericksen and Nickel. Motion carried.

Pamela Hilton

7. Brauer made the motion seconded by Mann **that the board issue an unrestricted LPN license to Pamela Hilton upon successful completion of NCLEX-PN®**

Voting Aye: M Bunger, Echternacht, Mann, Megel, Ross, J. Bunger, Lloyd, Higgins, Gondringer and Brauer. Voting Nay: none. Abstain: none. Absent: Fredericksen and Nickel. Motion carried.

Amy Henricksen

7. M. Bunger made the motion seconded by Lloyd **that the board issue Amy Henricksen a probationary RN licensue upon completion of the suspension on her LPN license. The conditions of probation shall be the same as those imposed on her LPN license.**

Voting Aye: M Bunger, Echternacht, Mann, Megel, Ross, J. Bunger, Lloyd, Higgins, Gondringer and Brauer. Voting Nay: none. Abstain: none. Absent: Fredericksen and Nickel. Motion carried.

Valerie Tellez

8. Brauer made the motion seconded by J. Bunger **that the board issue Valerie Tellez an unrestricted LPN license upon successful completion of NCLEX-PN®**

Voting Aye: M Bunger, Echternacht, Mann, Megel, Ross, J. Bunger, Lloyd, Higgins, Gondringer and Brauer. Voting Nay: none. Abstain: none. Absent: Fredericksen and Nickel. Motion carried.

12:00 p.m. The meeting recessed briefly for lunch. During lunch the board discussed approaches to education regarding mandatory reporting. It was decided that a flyer should be designed that highlights the major points associated with mandatory reporting and announces a video conference on the topic. It was suggested that the video conference system that is available in hospitals across the state be used for the conference. Continuing education should be offered for the conference.

Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for January 19, 2006 in Lincoln.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Jacqueline Ross, Secretary